

# MEDIA RELEASE

## KINDLES, IPADS, TABLETS, SMARTPHONES, COMPUTERS... Library Giving Free Classes on Using Your Devices

### Santa Barbara, CA. January 10, 2013

Have you gotten a new electronic device over the holidays, or just want some help in better utilizing it? In addition to free eBooks and downloadable audiobooks available to all card holders, the Santa Barbara Public Library System is offering to help you with your device. The Library is giving free small group classes in January and February on how to use your new electronic devices to download eBooks, audiobooks, and apps, as well as on basic and intermediate computer use. Classes are held at the Santa Barbara Central Library, 40 E. Anapamu St., Santa Barbara.

These classes are free of charge but require a reservation. Contact the Central Library Reference Desk at <a href="reference@sbplibrary.org">reference@sbplibrary.org</a> or call (805) 564-5604 to sign up. Each class is one session only. Visit the Santa Barbara Public Library System web site at <a href="SBPLibrary.org">SBPLibrary.org</a> for more information about Library programs and services.

In addition to these great classes, the Library offers free one-on-one appointments with downloading the Ebooks and audiobooks on to your device. Appointments can be booked by calling (805) 564-5604. Drop-in assistance is available at the Central Library Wednesday from 4:00 to 6:00pm and Saturdays from 10:00am to 1:00 pm.

#### **Upcoming Classes:**

## eBooks & Audiobooks for Tablets

Thursdays, January 17, 31, February 14, or February 28 Central Library, Townley Room 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Check out library eBooks! Learn how to download free eBooks to your tablet. Install the OverDrive app then browse, checkout, and download from the library's eBook collection of more than 8,000 titles. Bring your device. Class limited to six students. Registration required. FREE. **Contact** Reference Desk | reference @sbplibrary.org | (805) 564-5604

#### **eBooks for Kindles**

Wednesdays, January 23, February 6, or February 20 Central Library, Townley Room 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Learn how to browse, checkout, & download free eBooks from the library's collection of over 8,000 titles. Class size limited to six students. Registration required. FREE. **Contact** Reference Desk | reference @sbplibrary.org | (805) 564-5604

### Ten Free Apps for the iPad, iPhone, & iPod touch

Thursdays, January 10 or 24 Central Library, Townley Room 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Astonishingly, there are more than 700,000 apps for your Apple device. Sign up for a basic introduction to the world of apps. Class limited to ten students, registration required. FREE.

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### **Basic Computing**

Tuesdays, January 22 & February 5, 19 Central Library, Townley Room 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Are you new to computers and the Internet? Learn how to use a keyboard and mouse, how to use Google to search the Internet, and how to set-up and use an email account. Class size limited to six students; computers provided for instruction. Registration required. FREE. **Contact** Reference Desk | reference @sbplibrary.org | (805) 564-5604

### **Intermediate Computing**

Tuesdays, February 12, 26 Central Library, Townley Room 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Ready to go beyond email? PC users, learn to manage your system settings, organize your files, go to the next level in Internet efficiency and security. Computers provided, reservations required, sign up for one class only. FREE.

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